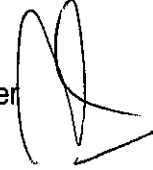


To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Mr. Miguel A. Seco, Governmental Affairs Manager

Date: July 10, 2012

RE: **UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
BYRNE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE  
VIOLENCE INTERVENTION COMMUNITY INITIATIVE**



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**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to submit an application and negotiate and execute an agreement with Gang Alternative, Inc.

**BACKGROUND**

Grant funds originate with the United States Department of Justice and will be administered by Gang Alternative, Inc. Program community partners include: Jessie Trice Community Health Center, Inc., Westcare Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Services (The Village), New Horizons Community Mental Health Center, Miami-Dade County Juvenile Services, South Florida Workforce, Florida House of Representatives (Representative Daphne Campbell District 108), Q&Q Research, Community Christian Church, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Urban Partnership Drug Free Community Coalition, and Sant LA Haitian Neighborhood Center.

The initiative is requesting a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 with an allocation to the city of North Miami in the amount of \$300,000. Funds allocated to the city of North Miami will be used towards task force operations aimed at intervention and suppression in areas of North Miami with high crime rates.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND GANG ALTERNATIVE, INC. FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE VIOLENCE INTERVENTION COMMUNITY INITIATIVE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice will be distributing grant funds to be administered by Gang Alternative, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Violence Intervention Community Initiative is requesting a grant in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) with an allocation to the City of North Miami in the amount of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00), with no required match; and

**WHEREAS**, funds will be used toward task force operations aimed at intervention and suppression in areas of North Miami with high crime rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council wish to authorize the submittal of a grant application as well as to fully authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement between the City and Gang Alternative, Inc. for the purpose of securing grant funds.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.**     **Submittal of Application.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the submission of an application for grant funds to the United States Department of Justice.

**Section 2.**     **Authority to City Manager and City Attorney.** The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of North Miami and Gang Alternative, Inc.

**Section 3.**     **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by a \_\_\_\_\_ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2012.

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ANDRE D. PIERRE, ESQ.  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
REGINE M. MONESTIME  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vote:**

Mayor Andre D. Pierre, Esq.	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor Jean R. Marcellus	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Michael R. Blynn, Esq.	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Scott Galvin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Marie Erlande Steril	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)